1. Aims

The aims of this framework are to:

1.1 assist in the implementation of the SA Health Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway Policy Directive

1.2 guide the selection, development and delivery of effective learning programs across SA Health for all workers outlining mandatory requirements for a learning program provided by a health service

1.3 describe core learning requirements and minimum standards for the development of skills and knowledge in relation to the effective implementation and application of the Resuscitation Planning-7 Step Pathway. These minimum standards allow flexibility in the development and implementation of local programs but maintain standard outcomes.

2. Objectives

Health services can use this framework to:

2.1 meet their obligations to ensure that all workers receive sufficient training, instruction and supervision to enable them to use and apply the Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway

2.2 guide annual analysis of training needs, to determine which workers require training and education, and what skills, knowledge, attitudes, values and abilities they require

2.3 guide delivery of learning programs, including the frequency of refreshers or updates, to meet staff training needs as it relates to the Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway

2.4 guide development of learning programs that will support workers to:

- act in accordance with relevant legislation, the SA Health Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway Policy Directive, National End of Life Consensus Statement and Accreditation Standards
- ensure that a patient's ACD, or instructions from the patient themselves, and including where relevant their Substitute Decision Makers/Person Responsible, guide decision-making in the planning and delivery of a patient-centred approach to safe and high quality end-of-life care
- support quality improvement activities to ensure the ongoing and quality implementation of the SA Health Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway in all SA Health facilities and services
- develop and implement service-wide systems and processes compliant with the SA Health Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway Policy Directive, Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway process and other relevant, supporting resources
- operate as high functioning, health care teams, with patients who are approaching end-of-life and who may benefit from a Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway
- analyse, take appropriate actions, learn and improve following an adverse incident associated with Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway.

2.5 guide evaluation of the learning programs in facilitating appropriate application of the Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway in all SA Health facilities and services.

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3. Principles

All education and training strategies will be based around the principles outlined in the SA Health Resuscitation Planning – 7 Step Pathway Policy Directive. Key principles include:

3.1 delivering work force education and training in a context relevant to the roles and responsibilities of the individual
3.2 delivering workforce and training strategies that result in skilled, high performance health care teams with expertise tailored to the clinical context and health service in which they work
3.3 applying best practice, end of life, clinical care planning, as a major focus in improving safe and high quality end of life care
3.4 providing patient centred approaches to resuscitation and end of life, clinical care planning
3.5 implementing processes for ongoing monitoring, evaluation and reporting on the Resuscitation Plan – 7 Step Pathway and its implementation.

4. Basis of an effective learning program

4.1 Learning programs should reflect the principles of continuing workplace learning - Principle 6 of the National Patient Safety Education Framework.

4.2 Learning programs should be based on the relevant legislation underpinning the SA Health Resuscitation Planning – 7 Step Pathway Policy Directive and including the SA Health Resuscitation Planning – 7 Step Pathway Policy Directive itself, the Resuscitation Planning – 7 Step Pathway and other relevant and supporting SA Health resources (eg factsheets, quick guides etc).

4.3 A variety of appropriate training modes, learning resources and flexible training delivery is used to:
   - meet the different needs of staff, work groups and students
   - match adult learning principles and recognise prior learning
   - suit the differing skills and knowledge being taught.

   Learning modalities can include e learning, interactive workshops, discussion groups, scenario based learning, simulation activities, webinars, web resources, mobile learning technologies, teaching on the run; and including mentoring and coaching to support learners in meet their learning objectives.

4.4 Learning programs where appropriate can include consumers in the planning and delivery of education and training programs.

4.5 Learning programs include evidence-based content; are multidisciplinary, consumer-centred and teamwork-focussed.

4.6 Learning programs are developed, delivered, updated, recorded and evaluated by clinical educators with relevant qualifications and experience. Collaborators include but are not limited to clinical experts, managers, consumers, and clinical governance.

4.7 Learning programs contribute to professional development points and credentialing; and are linked to induction, continuing professional development, annual performance agreements and other accountability systems as applicable.

5. Training needs analysis

5.1 Annual analysis of training needs will determine which workers require training and education, when and how frequently, and also, their learning needs (skills, knowledge, attitudes, values and abilities, ie competence. As well as individual differences, learning needs will depend on:
   - the workers role, responsibilities and accountabilities
   - the types of patients they provide service to, and the health conditions they present with
   - the workers they are responsible for
   - the workplace environment.

5.2 Existing training will be reviewed. Those that meet these requirements should continue.

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6. Core skills and knowledge

6.1 The SA Health online eLearning course, Resuscitation Planning – 7 Step Pathway provides accessible core information, and is recommended for all SA Health workers at induction.

6.2 The behaviours, attitudes, learning objectives, knowledge and skills required by staff who undertake various roles in SA Health services and facilities are described in Appendix 1.

6.3 The level of knowledge, skill and performance required by an individual is determined by their role, responsibilities and level of accountability for the patient.

6.4 Workers who are more frequently engaged with patients who are at end-of-life may require more detailed knowledge and skill development, as well as the opportunity to practice physical and communication skills.

6.5 Learning needs can be categorised as:

6.5.1 Underpinning knowledge

Legislative and legal frameworks
- The South Australia Advance Care Directives Act 2013
- The Consent to Medical Treatment and Palliative Care Act 1995

Guiding principles and best practice approaches
- Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, A guide to support implementation of the national consensus statement: essential elements for recognising and responding to clinical deterioration (2011).
- Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, National Patient Safety Education Framework, Commonwealth of Australia (July 2005).

SA Health policies and guidelines
- Consent to Medical Treatment and Health Care Policy Guideline.
- Providing Medical Assessment and/ or treatment where patient consent cannot be obtained Policy Directive.

6.5.2 Overarching principles
- Timely resuscitation and end-of-life clinical care planning.
- Patient centred resuscitation and end-of-life care planning.
- Resuscitation planning and its legal, ethical, policy and documentation requirements.
- Decision-making capacity.
- Substituted decision making, Substitute Decision-Makers and Persons Responsible.
- Role of health care teams in resuscitation and end-of-life clinical care planning.
- Shared decision-making.
- Culturally and linguistically responsive end-of-life care planning.

6.5.3 The Resuscitation Plan-7 Step pathway
- Step 1. Trigger.
- Step 2. Assessment.
- Step 3. Consultation.
- Step 5. Transparency and Communication.
- Step 6. Implementation.
- Step 7. Support the patient, resident, Substitute Decision-Makers, Person Responsible and relatives.

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6.5.4 Teamwork and communication
- Clinical handover.
- Transfer within or between settings.
- Discharge to community.
- Referrals to other health care professionals or service providers.
- Documentation of SA Health Resuscitation Plans– 7 Step Pathway.
- Communicating effectively.
- Consumer education and health literacy.

6.5.5 Reporting, record keeping and using data for improvement
- Mandatory reporting systems.
- Investigating incidents.
- Auditing and evaluation of Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway.
- Evaluation of Education and Training Framework.

Health services will evaluate the effectiveness of their education and training program with respect to the skills and knowledge available in the workforce, and including the ability to meet policy requirements, and routine monitoring of outcome data in relation to Resuscitation Plan-7 Steps Pathway.

7. Evaluation

7.1 The Education Framework will be evaluated and results reported to the SA Health Safety and Quality Operational Governance Committee by June 30, 2017 and then every two years.

7.2 Health services will evaluate their education program with respect to the skills and knowledge required by the workforce.

Appendix 1
Educational Framework: Resuscitation Planning– 7 Step Pathway

The learning objectives by the category of learner:

Role 1: Non clinical workforce such as diet aides, ward staff, ancillary staff, personal care workers, volunteers, transport, catering, cleaning, reception staff

* Specific contextualised learning outcomes for the roles of admission, ward, medical records, officers and clerks.

Role 2: Health care workers (HCW) providing direct clinical care to patients, such as allied health practitioners, those working under supervision, tertiary/RTO education providers.

* Specific contextualised learning outcomes for the roles of nurse and midwife, doctor, allied health (social worker), paramedic and ambulance officer.

Role 3: Educators: nursing, medical, allied health, tertiary /RTO providers.

Role 4: Health care workers with responsibility for quality improvement such as quality improvement officers or facilitators, patient safety officers or coordinators.

Role 5: Health service managers such as nurse unit managers, clinical services coordinators, allied health managers, project managers, medical managers, department heads, accreditation managers, quality risk managers.

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SA Health staff will ensure all patients or clients receive care that is person-centred, safe and high-quality and that this care continues throughout their lives into end-of-life care.

SA Health staff will educate patient or clients on the importance of Advance Care Directives (ACD), end-of-life plans and consent, and will advocate and communicate on behalf of the patient or client.

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